City of Newport Beach ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE



MINUTES 3-19-07

Draft minutes of the Environmental Quality Affairs Committee held at the City of Newport Beach Police Department Auditorium, 870 Santa Barbara Drive, on **Monday, March 19, 2007.**

Members Present:

	Nancy Gardner, Council Member - <i>exc</i>	Χ	Sandra Haskell
	Michael Henn, Council Member- <i>exc</i>	Χ	Barry Allen
Х	Bruce Asper		Kristine Adams - <i>excused</i>
Х	Dolores Otting, Vice Chair - <i>exc</i>		Marianne Zippi - excused
	Kimberly Jameson		Arlene Greer- <i>excused</i>
Х	Matt Wiley		Jack Wu - excused
			Jennifer Winn
		Χ	Ray Halowski
Х	Brent Cooper	Χ	Barbara Thibault
Χ	Laura Dietz	Χ	Merritt Van Sant
Х	Kenneth Drellishak, Chair	Χ	Robert Rush
Χ	Laura Curran		John Moftakhar
Х	Michael Smith		

Staff Representatives:

Guests Present:

	Χ	Assistant City Manager Sharon Wood	Assistant City Manager Dave Kiff
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Chairperson Ken Drellishak called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

1. Minutes of February 26, 2007

Merritt Van Sant moved to approve the minutes as written. Ray Halowski seconded the motion.

Motion passed unanimously

2. Presentation on Upper Newport Bay and Water Quality Projects

Assistant City Manager Dave Kiff presented information on the regulatory environment for water quality, City Council priorities, and dredging projects in Upper and Lower Newport Bay; and responded to questions from Committee members.

3. Economic Development Committee Report

No report.

4. Report from Membership Subcommittee

Chairperson Drellishak reported that Christopher Welsh has resigned from the Committee, and noted that a replacement for the District 3 position should be appointed by Council Member Webb.

5. Appointments to Subcommittees

The Committee decided to wait until the Draft EIR is about to be released to appoint a subcommittee on IBC Residential Zoning. The following two subcommittees were appointed:

Hoag Master Plan Hyatt Regency Hotel

Ken Drellishak
Matt Wiley
Brent Cooper
Barbara Thibault
Barry Allen
Mike Smith
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Ray Halowski Laura Dietz

Jack Wu Robert Rush
Merritt Van Sant Dolores Otting
Sandra Haskell

6. Report from Staff on Current Projects

Sharon Wood noted that the Draft EIR on the Hoag Hospital Master Plan amendment will be released for public review in July, and the Hyatt DEIR will be released in April or May. She reported on a new application from Pacific View Memorial Park to reduce square footage in community mausoleums and allow for smaller, family facilities; the type of environmental document required has not been decided yet. She also reported on progress in implementation of the General Plan, including selection of a consultant for the new Zoning Code, update of the Fair Share Fee, and development of an infrastructure plan and fee for the Airport Area.

7. Public Comments

None

8. Future Agenda Items

Dolores Otting and Ray Halowski requested discussion of the City Council Resolution establishing duties and responsibilities for EQAC. They would like to discuss broadening the Committee's areas of responsibility, e.g., emergency planning, design guidelines, and hours of operation for refuse collection.

9. Adjournment-

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.